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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

Kazuo MATSUZAKI, *et al.*

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Examiner: S. Loke

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Attorney Docket No.: FUJI:179

For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE EXHIBITING A HIGH BREAKDOWN VOLTAGE AND THE METHOD
OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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REPLY WITH CERTIFIED ENGLISH TRANSLATION
OF PRIORITY APPLICATION & PETITION FOR TIME EXTENSION

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated April 1, 2004, applicants submit a certified English translation of priority application No. JP 2000-146704 to perfect priority. This reply requires a one-month extension.

Applicants request a one-month extension, from July 1, 2004 to August 2, 2004 (August 1st landing on Sunday), for replying to the outstanding Office Action. The one-month extension fee is \$110. The Commissioner is authorized to charge \$110 (or any additional fees required to maintain the pendency of this application) to Deposit Account No. 18-2056.

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REMARKS

Claims 4-6, 8, 10, 12, and 14 remain pending in this application for which applicants seek reconsideration. All of these claims were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Nakamura (USP 6,614,089). The examiner states that the foreign priority application cannot be relied upon to overcome this rejection because applicants did not perfect priority, i.e., no certified English translation.


Applicants submit a certified English translation of Japanese priority application No. 2000-146704 to perfect priority. Since this priority application predates the effective date of Nakamura, applicants submit that this rejection has been rendered moot.

Applicants look forward to receiving an early Notice of Allowance. Should the examiner have any issues concerning this reply or any other outstanding issues remaining in this application, applicants urge the examiner to contact the undersigned to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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